MOTION TO INSTRUCT CONFEREES ON H.R. 4297, TAX RELIEF EX-TENSION RECONCILIATION ACT OF 2005

SPEECH OF

## HON. DAVE CAMP

OF MICHIGAN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, March 29, 2006

Mr. CAMP of Michigan. Madam Speaker, I would like to clarify a statement I made on the floor at one point on March 29, 2006 during debate on a motion to instruct conferees on H.R. 4297. In quoting the statistics on the percentage of taxpayers with capital gain and dividend income that have incomes below \$100,000; the correct statistic is that nearly 60 percent of taxpayers receiving capital gain or dividend income have incomes of \$100,000 or less. Even though I did correctly state this statistic during the debate, the statistic was initially mischaracterized.

The correct statistic can be derived from a document provided by the nonpartisan Joint Committee on Taxation. This document can be found on their web site. It is document number JCX-50-05 titled "Present Law and Background Information on Certain Expiring Tax Provisions." The data on the income distribution of taxpayers who receive capital gain and dividend income can be found on pages 6 and 7.

A TRIBUTE TO MICHELE NOEL-ADOLPHE

## HON. EDOLPHUS TOWNS

OF NEW YORK

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Wednesday, April 5, 2006

Mr. TOWNS. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in recognition of Michele Noel-Adolphe and I hope my colleagues will join me in recognizing the accomplishments of this outstanding member of the Brooklyn community.

Michele Noel-Adolphe is founder and president of Brooklyn Institute for Children (BIC), where she has worked since 1992. BIC has developed into one of the foremost early childhood facilities in Brooklyn and Ms. Noel-Adolphe has emerged as a leader in the education and civic communities of Brooklyn.

After graduating from the State University of New York (FIT) with a degree in Management and International Trade and Long Island University with a Master's of Social Science degree, Ms. Noel-Adolphe entered the field of education as a NYC high school teacher—and later as Executive Director of The Performing Arts Teen Center. In this capacity, Ms. Noel-Adolphe was responsible for designing and implementing numerous after-school programs in Brooklyn that combined the academic needs of youths and their artistic talents.

Ms. Noel-Adolphe is a proud graduate of Erasmus Hall High School. She is a major contributor to and currently serves on the Board of Directors of Sharing Hearts Network, Inc., a nonprofit charitable organization recently founded to respond to the deterioration of the standard of living of poor children in Haiti

Additionally, Ms. Noel-Adolphe is an active member of numerous professional and civic

associations. Among them are: the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP); The Brooklyn Chamber of Commerce; The Caribbean-American Chamber of Commerce and Industry (CACCI); the National Black Women Health Association; the National Association for Women Executive and the Association for School Supervision and Curriculum Development (ASCD). Ms. Noel-Adolphe and her family including her 2 young daughters reside in South Midwood.

Mr. Speaker, I believe that it is incumbent on this body to recognize the accomplishments of Michele Noel-Adolphe, as she offers her talents for the betterment of our local and international communities.

IN HONOR AND RECOGNITION OF VASILIOS "BILL" KAVADIAS

## HON. DENNIS J. KUCINICH

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Wednesday, April 5, 2006

Mr. KUCINICH. Mr. Speaker, I rise today in honor and recognition of Vasilios "Bill" Kavadias, owner and manager of the Greek Taverna Restaurant on Pennsylvania Avenue, for his 41 years of service to the Capitol Hill community. For 41 years, Bill has opened his doors to thousands of Members of Congress, Senators, Capitol Hill residents and visitors.

Bill arrived from the Greek Island of Kefalonia on the USS *Independence* on December 30, 1956, with his brother. Soon after his arrival, Bill met and married his wife, Ifigenia. Two years later in 1965 around the same time Bill was starting his new business, the couple gave birth to their one and only child, Gregory.

Starting Taverna with his brother in 1965, rocky times would soon befall on him. But being the man that Bill is, he would not allow the initial shortcomings interfere with his desire to succeed. Changing the menu 3 times in 10 years to meet customers' requests, Bill and his brother noticed that people really enjoyed Greek food, and in 1977, Taverna went all Greek. From here on, Bill turned Taverna into a culinary palace it is today. Even though he would insist that it was his customers who made it happen, we all know that it was Bill who transformed his modest establishment into the symbol it is today. Along the way, he befriended many people including former Speakers of the House Tipper O'Neil and Newt Gingrich. Among the many other Members of Congress that frequent this iconic restaurant, Bill has warmly served the President of Brazil, former presidential candidate Michael Dukakis, the Greek Ambassador during the Reagan years and Secretary of State Madeline Albright to name a few.

I had the pleasure of meeting Bill about 10 years ago shortly after I was elected to Congress. Day after day, I would make my way to his extraordinary establishment and each and every time, Bill was there to greet me. Over time, he and I forged a remarkable friendship that I am so grateful for. Taverna is like my home, but it would not be so without Bill. I am saddened by his retirement but am very thankful for the time I have had with him.

Aside from his business accomplishments, Bill always made sure that he devoted his heart, mind and time to his surrounding com-

munity, his customers and his family. This was made evident when many of his friends and long-time customers showed up on the Thursday before his retirement to pay him homage.

This man is truly one to be honored and emulated as he has touched the hearts of so many of his customers and friends during his time at Taverna. His immense kindness and overwhelming generosity is something that is not often seen in today's society. My thoughts and prayers are with him and his family as he embarks on his new path. And like everything else Bill has done, I am certain that he will be enormously successful.

Mr. Speaker and Colleagues, please join me in honor and recognition of Vasilios "Bill" Kavadias, whose dedication and 41 years of service to his customers and community will be missed, but never forgotten.

MORE WATER AND MORE ENERGY ACT OF 2006

## HON. MARK UDALL

OF COLORADO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES Wednesday, April 5, 2006

Mr. UDALL of Colorado. Mr. Speaker, today I am introducing the "More Water and More Energy Act of 2006."

My bill deals with the issue of "produced water," the saline water generated in the production of oil. For every barrel of oil produced, approximately 10 barrels of saline water is generated. This country generates over 5 billion gallons of produced water per day.

While sometimes this water can be and is used for agriculture or other purposes, most often it has been handled as a waste and reinjected. But as we expand our development of fossil energy resources to meet our increasing demand for energy, we are also increasing the volume of water produced in the development process. And given the increasing demand for fresh water supplies in many areas of the country—especially in the West—it makes sense to consider how this produced water could supplement our limited fresh water resources.

I'm glad that this issue is beginning to engage so many around the country as they realize the potential benefits of produced water. Just this week, the Colorado Water Resources Research Institute is hosting a "Produced Water Workshop" to discuss "Energy & Water—How Can We Get Both for the Price of One?"

In my opinion, few topics could be more timely or important, not only for Colorado but for our country.

That's why I'm introducing the More Water and More Energy Act—to facilitate the use of produced water for irrigation and other purposes, including municipal and industrial uses. The bill would direct the Secretary of the Interior (through the Bureau of Reclamation and the U.S.G.S.) to carry out a study to identify the technical, economic, environmental, legal, and other obstacles to increasing the extent to which produced water can be used for such purposes.

In addition, it would authorize federal grants to assist in the development of facilities to demonstrate the feasibility, effectiveness, and safety of processes to increase the extent to which produce water can be recovered and made suitable for use for such purposes.